



LAVATORY RULES

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Objectives >>>

Students should:

- Understand the importance of cleanliness and hygiene
- Know that we need to wash the private parts after using the lavatory
- Know some further rules regarding use of the lavatory
- Know some of the recommended and disliked acts of being in the lavatory

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LEVEL 3

LESSON 1: RULES OF USING THE TOILET

In this lesson, we will learn some of the important rules of using the toilet. Most of these rules are there so that we can remain clean and hygienic. This is very important in Islam.

Our prophet (saw) was famous for his cleanliness and always used to keep himself neat and tidy. He used to say that cleanliness was a part of faith (imān). We need to keep our bodies clean; both to keep our bodies healthy and to strengthen our soul. One day, the Prophet (saw) walked past a man who was untidy and whose hair was not combed. The Prophet was upset by this and said that this man should fix his appearance. A little later, he walked past another man who was wearing dirty clothes. This also upset the Prophet and he said “doesn’t that man have water to wash his clothes with?” In fact, the Prophet (saw) says:

“Allah loves cleanliness”.

WASHING PRIVATE PARTS AFTER USING THE BATHROOM

We must wash our private parts with water after using the lavatory. This obligation is emphasised very much in Islam. Therefore, it is important that we observe this rule and make sure that we are cleaning ourselves properly. The very basic rules that you need to know for now are:

- When you urinate, wash the area twice with water
- When you pass faeces, wash the area until no faeces is left there. If you have no water, it is enough to wipe with dry tissue until no faeces remains

Review Questions

Q1. After urinating, we should:

- Wash the private parts twice with water
- Just wipe with tissue, there is no need for water
- Wash the private parts with water five times

Q2. When we pass stool:

- We should clean the private area with water unless there is no water
- We do not need to clean the area
- We should always only use tissue

LESSON 2: SOME MORE RULES OF USING THE TOILET

In this lesson, we will learn some rules for using the toilet. It is very important for all of us to follow toilet manners that will help us remain clean and tidy. Don't forget the following things before going to the toilet:

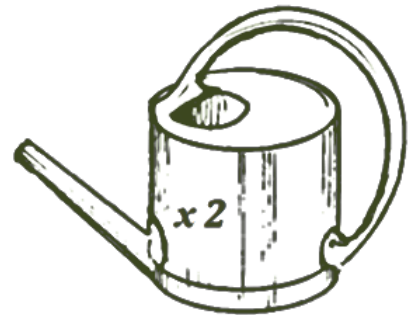
- We must go to toilet whenever we feel the need to go
- It is a good idea to wear slippers for hygienic reasons
- We must fill a container or a bottle of water to use in the toilet
- We should not take off pants/shorts in front of others. We should make sure that our private parts are always hidden from the view of others.

When we are in the toilet we should take care of these things:

- We should not sit facing or with our backs towards the Qiblah. This is *ḥarām*. If the toilet is facing Qiblah we can change our direction a little bit to avoid facing Qiblah.
- We should not use urinals. This is something very unhealthy and urinating while standing is very disliked in Islam.
- Flushing the toilet is very important
- Make sure to wash your hands with soap and then dry them after using the toilet

REVIEW OF THE RULES OF WASHING

- As we learnt in our last lesson, we need to wash our private parts after urinating or passing stool. When doing this, we should remember the following rules:
 - After urinating, we should wash the private area with water twice



- If we are at school or in a public place where there is no tap or hose, we can take a small water bottle or cup of water into the toilet with us. If we don't have a bottle or small cup, we can wet some tissue then squeeze the water out of it to wash the area.
- After passing stool, we should wash the area until there is no stool remaining.
 - If there is no water, we can use tissue to wipe, but again we must make sure all the stool is wiped away

Review Questions:

Q1. When using the toilet:

- It is *ḥarām* to face the Qiblah
- It is okay to face the Qiblah
- It is better not to face the Qiblah

Q2. Which of the following is true?

- It is *ḥarām* to use urinals or urinate while standing
- It is very disliked to use urinals or urinate while standing
- It is okay to use urinals or urinate while standing

Q3. If there is no tap or hose at the school toilet:

- We should not use the toilet
- We should fill a bottle of water and use that to wash
- We don't need to wash at school